

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

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In the Matter of)	
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Second Periodic Review of the)	MB Docket No. 03-15
Commission's Rules and Policies)	
Affecting the Conversion)	RM 9832
To Digital Television)	
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Public Interest Obligations of TV)	MM Docket No. 99-360
Broadcast Licensees)	
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Children's Television Obligations of)	MM Docket No. 00-167
Digital Television Broadcasters)	
)	
Standardized and Enhanced Disclosure)	MM Docket No. <u>00-168</u>
Requirements for Television Broadcast)	
Licensee Public Interest Obligations)	

ORDER

Adopted: March 24, 2003

Released: March 26, 2003

By the Chief, Media Bureau:

1. On January 27, 2003, the Commission released a *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* (NPRM) seeking public comment on certain aspects of the Commission's rules and policies in relation to the transition to digital television and the recovery of spectrum at the end of the transition.¹ The **NPRM** established comment and reply comment deadlines of April 14, 2003 and May 14, 2003, respectively.

2. On March 21, 2003 we received a joint request from the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) and the Association of Maximum Service Television (MSTV) seeking a one-week extension of the comment deadline to afford time to finalize their joint comments following the April 7, 2003, MSTV Board of Directors meeting. We find that it is in the interest of compiling a complete record to briefly extend the comment period to enable interested parties sufficient time to analyze the many important issues raised in the NPRM and to coordinate their analyses. Therefore, we are hereby extending these dates until April 21, 2003, for comments and May 21, 2003, for reply comments.

¹ *Second Periodic Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Transition to Digital Television*, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, MB Docket No. 03-15, RM **9832**, MM Docket Nos. 99-360, 00-167, 00-168, FCC 03-8 (rel. Jan. 27, 2003).

3. Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED** that the comment and reply comment deadlines for the *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* in this proceeding are **EXTENDED** to **April 21, 2003**, and **May 21, 2003**, respectively.

4. This action is taken pursuant to delegated authority pursuant to Section 0.283 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.283.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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